

1. (Currently amended) A method of treating a patient to alleviate pain treatable with an opioid agonist analgesic without addiction, comprising: administering systemically an amount of noribogaine or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt in the absence of an opioid analgesic to said patient effective to reduce or eliminate pain in said patient.

2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said patient is administered a pharmaceutical composition comprising said noribogaine or its salt and wherein said noribogaine is the sole analgesic agent in said pharmaceutical composition.

3. Cancelled.

4. (Previously presented) The method of any of claims 1-2, wherein said noribogaine or its salt is administered to said patient at a dose of between 0.1 mg and 100 mg per kg of body weight.

5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, wherein said noribogaine or its salt is administered at a dose of between 1.0 mg and 30 mg per kg of body weight.

6. (Currently amended) A method of treating a patient to alleviate pain treatable with an opioid agonist analgesic, comprising:

a) administering systemically to said patient an amount of noribogaine or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt; and

b) concomitantly administering systemically to said patient an amount of one or more opioid antagonists; wherein said respective amounts of noribogaine and said one or more opioid antagonists are effective to reduce or eliminate pain in said patient.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said opioid antagonist is naloxone, administered to said patient at a dose between 0.05 mg and 0.5 mg for each mg of noribogaine.

8. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said opioid antagonist is naltrexone, administered to said patient at a dose of between 0.05 mg and 0.5 mg for each mg of noribogaine.

9. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said noribogaine and said opioid

antagonist are administered transdermally.

Claims 10-24. Cancelled.

25. (Previously presented) A method of treating a patient to alleviate pain treatable with an opioid agonist analgesic without addiction, comprising: administering systemically a pharmaceutical composition consisting essentially of an effective amount of noribogaine or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt to said patient effective to reduce or eliminate said pain in said patient.

26. (Previously presented) The method of claim 25, wherein said noribogaine or its salt is the sole analgesic agent in said pharmaceutical composition.

27. (Previously presented) The method of 25, wherein said noribogaine or its salt is administered to said patient at a dose of between 0.1 mg and 100 mg per kg of body weight.

28. (Previously presented) The method of 26, wherein said noribogaine or its salt is administered to said patient at a dose of between 0.1 mg and 100 mg per kg of body weight

29. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27, wherein said noribogaine or its salt is administered at a dose of between 1.0 mg and 30 mg per kg of body weight.

30. (Previously amended) The method of claim 28, wherein said noribogaine or its salt is administered at a dose of between 1.0 mg and 30 mg per kg of body weight.